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1. FOLLOWING AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH DANAILOV, BULGARIAN INTEREST IN EXPLOITATION OF LOW-GRADE COAL DEPOSITS FOR POWER GENERATION WAS REVIEWED WITH COMBUSTION ENGINEERING (CE). CE REPORTEDLY HAS ABOUT 90 PERCENT OF U.S. MARKET FOR LOW-GRADE COAL UTILIZATION TECHNOLOGY. COMPANY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE POSSIBILITY OF EITHER THE SALE OR LICENSE OF THIS EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY TO BULGARIA. HOWEVER, BEFORE CE CAN COMMIT ITSELF TO PROPOSAL IT WILL NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE DEPOSITS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE IF ITS TECHNOLOGY CAN BE APPLIED IN THIS CASE. MAIN REASON IS THE EXTREMELY LOW CALORIC CONTENT MENTIONED REFAIR. NEEDED IS A TYPICAL COAL ANALYSIS WHICH WOULD COVER VOLITILES, MOISTURE, ASH CONTENT, CARBON, AND BTU RATINGS. CE BELIEVES THAT THE MINISTRY MAY HAVE ALREADY DONE STUDIES COVERING THESE ITEMS.

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2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY CONVEYING FOREGOING TO THE

MINISTRY OF ENERGY, AND OFFERING U.S.G. ASSISTANCE
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